

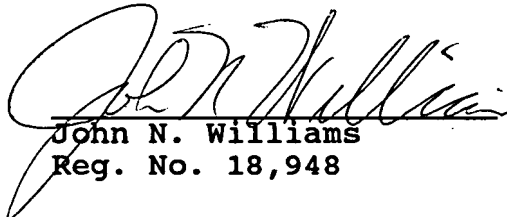
indefinite. Applicants have amended claims 1, 34, and 49 to overcome this rejection and place these claims in condition for allowance. Applicants also point out that, although used rarely, adjective "areal" is properly used in claims 1 and 49 (see enclosed EXHIBIT A).

Accordingly, the above-discussed claims are now submitted in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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